

# The Pocahontas Times.

If thou wouldst read a lesson that will keep thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep, Go to the woods and hills.—Longfellow.

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## WILD CAT HELD TIGHT.

Most Remarkable Instance of the  
Cold Weather.

A Wild Cat Found Frozen to the Iron  
Rails Below Buckeye.

Last Friday morning the ther-  
mometer registered six degrees  
below zero. The river had a  
good flood in it and the vapor ris-  
ing from the water froze upon the  
trees and altogether it was a very  
frosty looking morning.

Below Buckeye just at dawn,  
Henry Easley, colored section  
hand, belonging to the crew of  
Master Kibbler, of Section 12  
of the Greenbrier Division of the  
C. & O., was coming to his work.

Just below the station Buckeye,  
he saw a large wild cat making a  
furious effort to escape from what  
seemed to him a trap. He hurried  
to the creature and found that  
the creature had swam the river  
and coming to the railroad had  
placed both front paws on the iron  
rail and had been frozen fast.

Easley dispatched the creature  
with stones and a club and the  
hide adorns the walls of his house  
at this time.

The wild cat is known to be an  
intrepid swimmer, instances being  
known of its swimming two miles.

The Trappers Predicament.

Two trappers were lost on the  
headwaters of Gauley River. It  
was in the depth of winter and the  
snow lay piled among the pines to the  
depth of several feet.

This account was written in the  
interest of truth for young children.

re of his rifle and danced a simple  
ring. Sam caught his spirit and  
casting a glance at the limb where  
he thought he saw his beef steak  
of last night, stole forth with his  
rifle.

The hunters skirted the little  
valley for perhaps a quarter or a  
mile. Then they saw a ground  
hog on a little hillock of snow.  
The animal was erect on its  
haunches looking to the east at  
times and at other times casting  
timid glances behind it to see if  
there was enough sun to cast a  
shadow. While it was taking this  
observation the hunters with tense  
nerves were drawing fine beads  
on the fat wood chunk and pre-  
cisely both cracked down on it.

The ground hog fell pierced by  
two bullets and expired before it  
could drag itself to its burrow.

The famished hunter carried it  
to the cave and making soup feasted  
cautiously on the essence of the  
juicy animal.

After a time they ate heartily  
of it and enjoyed even the peculiar  
bouquet which attends the flesh of  
this burrowing animal. About  
two o'clock much strengthened  
and refreshed they climbed the  
long mountain side in twenty min-  
utes by the watch and looked to  
the north saw the bald head of the  
Barton Top which overlooked  
their camp on Red Run.

That night the overjoyed trap-  
pers rested in their comfortable  
camp on Red Run and partook of  
a giant supper of bacon, beans,  
corn bread, potatoes and coffee.

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Wm. J. Bryan.

The Commoner, edited by Wm.  
J. Bryan, is to be issued every  
day while the Democratic Con-  
vention sits in St. Louis. The  
Democratic party caught a Tartar  
in Mr. Bryan. If Julius Caesar  
were running for president before  
this convention, we have an idea  
that he would regard the news of  
Mr. Bryan issuing his mandates  
daily in The Commoner, with  
anything like favor. He would  
say of him:

"Let me have men about me that  
are fat."

Sleek-headed men and such as  
sleep o' nights:

Yond Cassius has a lean and hun-  
gry look;

He thinks too much: such men  
are dangerous,

He is a great observer and he  
looks,

Quite through the deeds of men:  
He loves no plays; he hears no  
music;

Seldom he smiles, and smiles in  
such a sort

As if he mocked himself and  
scorned his spirit.

Such men as he be never at heart's  
ease

While they behold a greater than  
themselves,

And therefore they are very dan-  
gerous."

This latter day Cassius pro-  
poses to sleep very little that  
week. He will be writing edi-  
torials and getting out The Com-  
moner. We think that for the  
good of the party it would do well  
for the delegation from West Vir-  
ginia to lock a log chain around  
The Commoner's press.

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in Marlinton, with Mess. S. B.  
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whom watches and jewelry may  
be left for repairs, also articles to  
be engraved.

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work to me, which will receive  
immediate attention and be re-  
turned to them as early as possible.

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oak. For particulars apply to  
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## THE TARIFF IN ISSUE

We Are Glad To See Our Old Stand  
by Resurrected.

The Same Old Well is to Howl Again  
This Year.

The Democratic Party stands  
this year for Tariff Revision which  
is the first resting place on the  
high road to Free Trade, and now  
we have got a conservative, well  
tried issue to place before the peo-  
ple.

Now will the administration  
power in its boots at Washington  
and its influence look about for some  
work about you. The post office  
officials will redouble their efforts  
to lay by something for a rainy  
day, for we are about to convict  
the powers that be of a high pro-  
tective tariff complicity which is  
to be rectified by the powers to be.

Free Silver is no more. It stood  
for life, liberty and the pursuit of  
happiness and we suppose it did  
as well as anything to hold the  
party together during the winter  
of discontent that followed Cleve-  
land's unhappy administration.

For the crime of being bull  
headed and not too honest the  
Democratic party was sentenced  
to four years of exile by the  
American people, which was in-  
creased to eight years for mis-  
behavior while under conviction. It  
is believed now that the Repub-  
lican party will vegetate a few  
years for the good of its soul, and  
if that be the case the Democrats  
will come back into power, much  
chanced and improved by their  
punishment.

There is no subject so fruitful  
of words as the tariff issue. In  
the old days we set under orators  
and learned of the iniquity of a  
high protective tariff which protec-  
ted these New England manufac-  
turers from us West Virginia man-  
ufacturers until we were ready  
to loot the nearest mill to get back  
what they had stolen from us.

On this we got a Democratic  
Administration with a majority so  
overwhelming that all began to  
deal on our future prosperity, but  
we were doomed to disappoint-  
ment.

The manufacturers saw our  
legislature, and the tariff was  
raised on cloth at the request of  
the cloth manufacturer; on iron by  
the iron manufacturers; and on  
all other articles at the request of  
the people interested.

We hold that all this can be  
more or less directly traced to  
the tariff laws, and to the fact  
that the Democratic party in its  
shame and humiliation, has not  
made itself felt as a minority  
party, against such legislation.

It is high time that we should  
resume our position as the pro-  
tector of the common people, and  
if we do not come into absolute  
control of the administration, we  
can raise such a storm about the  
ear of those who are responsible  
that such methods of getting rich  
will be perilous to follow.

The system of foreign trade is  
worse now than before the Anglo-  
Saxon race could boast of civiliza-  
tion. Then if a foreign ship  
entered one of our harbors, we  
charged it no tariff. We simply  
went on board and appropriated  
the cargo and made slaves of the  
seamen.

Suppose the ship was laden  
with stone hatchets. We divided  
them up among ourselves and  
caused the stone axe factory over  
the hill to sell its stock at cut rate  
prices.

Now a day if a ship approach-  
es our shores we wag her to  
keep off. She wag wag back  
that she will sell us stone axes at  
a dollar a dozen. The stone axe  
factory man answers that we the  
common people prefer to buy the  
inferior, home made article at  
two dollars a dozen. The ship  
then retires and when we need a  
stone axe to kill meat for our  
families or protect our hearth-  
we have to buy of the stone axe  
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